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This report contains the results from the **2019 April Milk Production Report**. These data are also posted on our web site at https://www.nass.usda.gov/la and in a more detailed report at https://www.nass.usda.gov. Thanks to all who responded to this survey.

Milk Production Up 28 Percent from Previous Quarter

Louisiana **milk production** during the January - March 2019 quarter was 41.0 million pounds, down 11 percent from the same period in 2018 but up 28 percent from the October - December quarter. The average number of milk cows on farms during the quarter was 11,000 head, 1,000 head lower than the same period last year but unchanged from the previous quarter.

Milk production in the United States during the January - March quarter totaled 54.5 billion pounds, up 0.2 percent from the January - March quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.35 million head, 8,000 head less than the October - December quarter, but 84,000 head less than the same period last year.

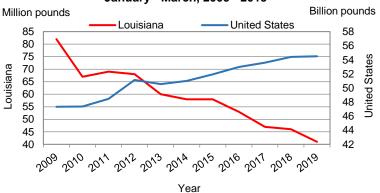
Milk Cows and Production by Quarter - Louisiana and United States: 2018 and 2019

[Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

-	Louisiana			United States		
Quarter	2018	2019	Change from 2018	2018	2019	Change from 2018
Milk cows ¹	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
January - March April - June July - September October - December	12.0 11.5 11.0 11.0	11.0	-8.3	9,435 9,418 9,383 9,359	9,351	-0.9
Milk production ²	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
January - March April - June July - September October - December	46.0 43.0 31.0 32.0	41.0	-10.9	54,399 55,831 53,969 53,376	54,502	0.2

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

Milk Production: Louisiana and United States January - March, 2009 - 2019



² Excludes milk sucked by calves.